

Gaza other than assistance covered by paragraphs (b)(1), (2), and (3) of section 620L of the Foreign Assistance Act, as amended, it is in the national security interest of the United States to provide such assistance as the Secretary of State deems appropriate, and assign to the Secretary of State the functions under section 620L(b)(4)(B) regarding the specific programs, projects, and activities to be carried out using such assistance.

I also hereby assign the functions of the President under section 550(b) and (c) of the FOAA, as amended and as carried forward under the Revised Continuing Appropriations Resolution, 2007 (Public Law 110-5), to the Secretary of State.

You are hereby authorized and directed to report this determination to the Congress and publish it in the *Federal Register*.

**George W. Bush**

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### **Digest of Other White House Announcements**

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The following list includes the President's public schedule and other items of general interest announced by the Office of the Press Secretary and not included elsewhere in this issue.

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#### **May 26**

In the morning, at Camp David, MD, the President had an intelligence briefing.

#### **May 27**

In the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC. Later, on the South Portico, he met with leaders of Rolling Thunder.

#### **May 28**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he and Mrs. Bush traveled to Arlington, VA, where they participated in a Memorial Day wreath-laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington National Cemetery.

In the afternoon, they returned to Washington, DC.

#### **May 29**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Brunswick, GA. While en route aboard Air Force One, he participated in an interview with Ron Hutcheson of the McClatchy Company. Later, he traveled to Glynco, GA, where he toured the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center.

In the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC. Later, on the North Portico, he participated in a photo opportunity with the 2006 Major League Soccer Cup champion Houston Dynamo.

Later in the afternoon, in the Oval Office, the President met with Vietnamese democracy and human rights activists.

#### **May 30**

In the morning, in the Oval Office, the President participated in an interview with Kim Strassel of the Wall Street Journal. Later, he had an intelligence briefing.

Later in the morning, in the Situation Room, the President had a video teleconference with Prime Minister Nuri al-Maliki, two members of the Presidency Council, and Vice Presidents Tariq al-Hashimi and Adil Abd Al-Mahdi of Iraq.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Edison, NJ, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Chuck Wiemer.

In the evening, the President returned to Washington, DC.

The White House announced that the President will welcome President Vladimir Putin of Russia to Kennebunkport, ME, on July 1-2.

The President announced his intention to nominate James L. Caswell to be Director of the Bureau of Land Management at the Department of the Interior.

The President announced his intention to nominate William J. Garvelink to be Ambassador to the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

The President announced his intention to nominate J. Christian Kennedy to be accorded the rank of Ambassador during his tenure as Special Envoy for Holocaust Issues.

The President announced his intention to nominate Roderick W. Moore to be Ambassador to Montenegro.

The President announced his intention to nominate Ronald Jay Tenpas to be Assistant Attorney General (Environment and Natural Resources Division) at the Department of Justice, and to designate him Acting.

The President announced his intention to designate Theodore F. "Ted" Stevens as Personal Representative of the President at the 47th International Paris Air Show.

### **May 31**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

The White House announced that the President will welcome Prime Minister Ehud Olmert of Israel to the White House on June 19.

The President announced his intention to nominate David H. McCormick to be Under Secretary of the Treasury (International Affairs).

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals as members of the President's Commission on White House Fellowships: Leanna Brown; Les T. Csorba; Joseph V. Del Raso; Richard S. Mroz; Joseph E. Samora; Justin J. Sayfie; and Gordon D. Sondland.

The President announced that he has named Daniel M. Price as Deputy Assistant to the President and Deputy National Security Adviser for International Economic Affairs.

### **June 1**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in the Situation Room, he met with the Homeland Security Council to discuss hurricane readiness.

The President announced that he has named Jonathan D. Felts as Deputy Assistant to the President and Director of Political Affairs.

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## **Nominations Submitted to the Senate**

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NOTE: No nominations were submitted to the Senate during the period covered by this issue.

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## **Checklist of White House Press Releases**

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The following list contains releases of the Office of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as items nor covered by entries in the Digest of Other White House Announcements.

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### **Released May 29**

Transcript of a press gaggle by Press Secretary Tony Snow

Fact sheet: Fighting Genocide in Darfur

Fact sheet: Securing the Border First

### **Released May 30**

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Tony Snow

Statement by the Press Secretary: Visit of Russian President Vladimir Putin

Fact sheet: Holding Employers Accountable for the Workers They Hire

Fact sheet: President Bush Announces Five-year, \$30 Billion HIV/AIDS Plan

### **Released May 31**

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Tony Snow and Chairman of the Council on Environmental Quality James L. Connaughton